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**Method for preventing a second heart attack employing and HMG CoA reductase inhibitor.**

A method is provided for preventing or reducing the risk of a second heart attack by administering an HMG CoA reductase inhibitor such as pravastatin, alone or in combination with an ACE inhibitor.

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